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[redacted] Herbert Roback telephoned indicating that Representative Chet Holifield wished a briefing by the Agency tomorrow morning before the Military Operations Subcommittee of House Government Operations. I explained to Roback that the Director was away and that he was in the process of attempting to formulate policy with respect to briefings on the Hill in coordination with the White House. Consequently, we simply were not in a position to furnish a briefing tomorrow morning. Roback appeared to understand our problem and said he would take this up at a later date.

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[redacted] Talked with Kenneth Sprankle, House Appropriations Committee staff, who indicated Representative Clarence Cannon was interested in whether or not the Soviet astronaut who has been paraded in public actually went around the earth in a space capsule. He was advised that the Agency believed that the Soviets did successfully orbit a man. Specifically as to whether or not the individual paraded was the same in the capsule we do not know. I will check further and advise Sprankle.

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[redacted] Talked further with [redacted] concerning a query through Representative Omar Burleson's office to State [redacted] After considerable back and forth with State, it was agreed that the Political Desk would take up the matter with State Congressional Liaison specifically Robert E. Lee with the suggestion that Lee work with John Warner on an appropriate approach.

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[redacted] Forwarded to [redacted] 3 original photographic prints showing Batista, former President of Cuba, and other individuals. These prints were borrowed for Agency use from Frank Schroeder, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff.

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